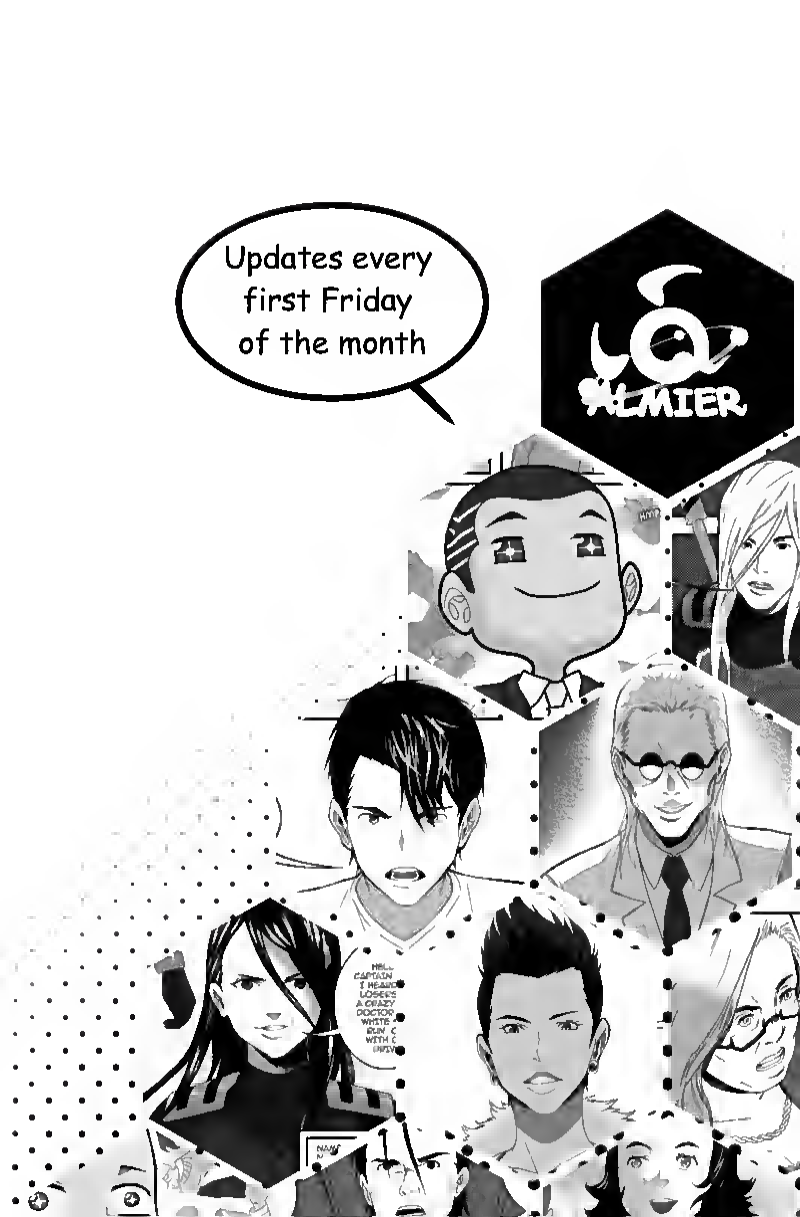
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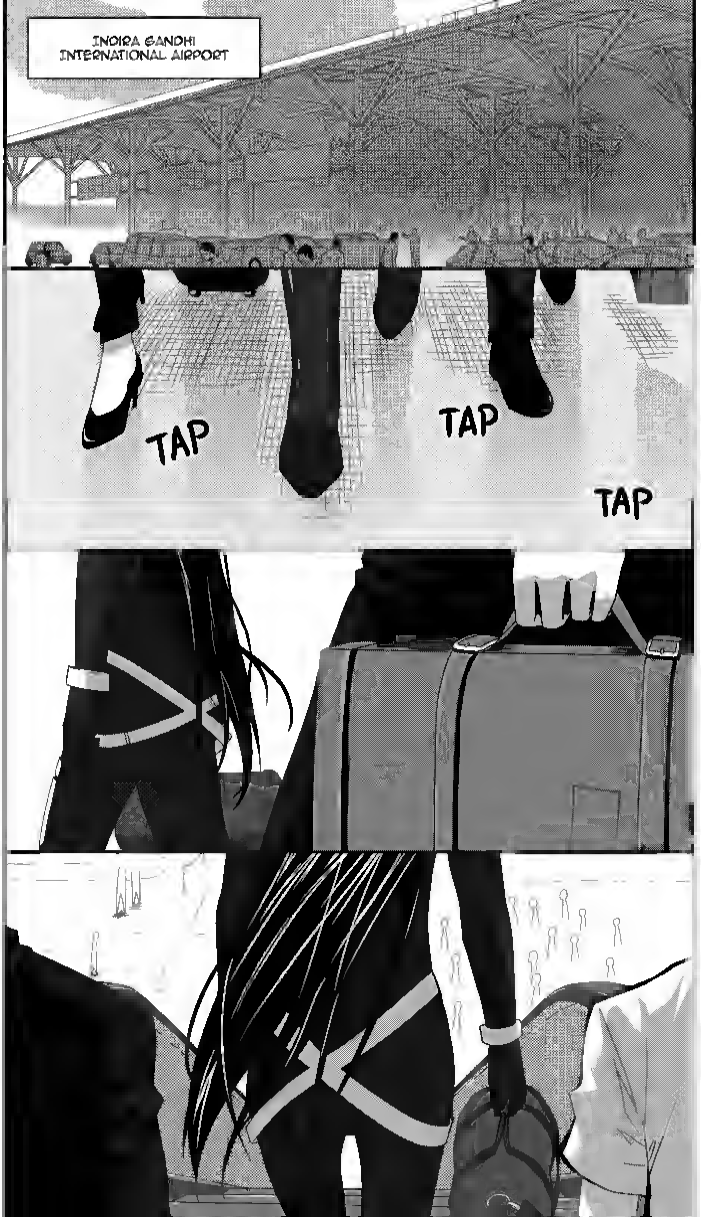
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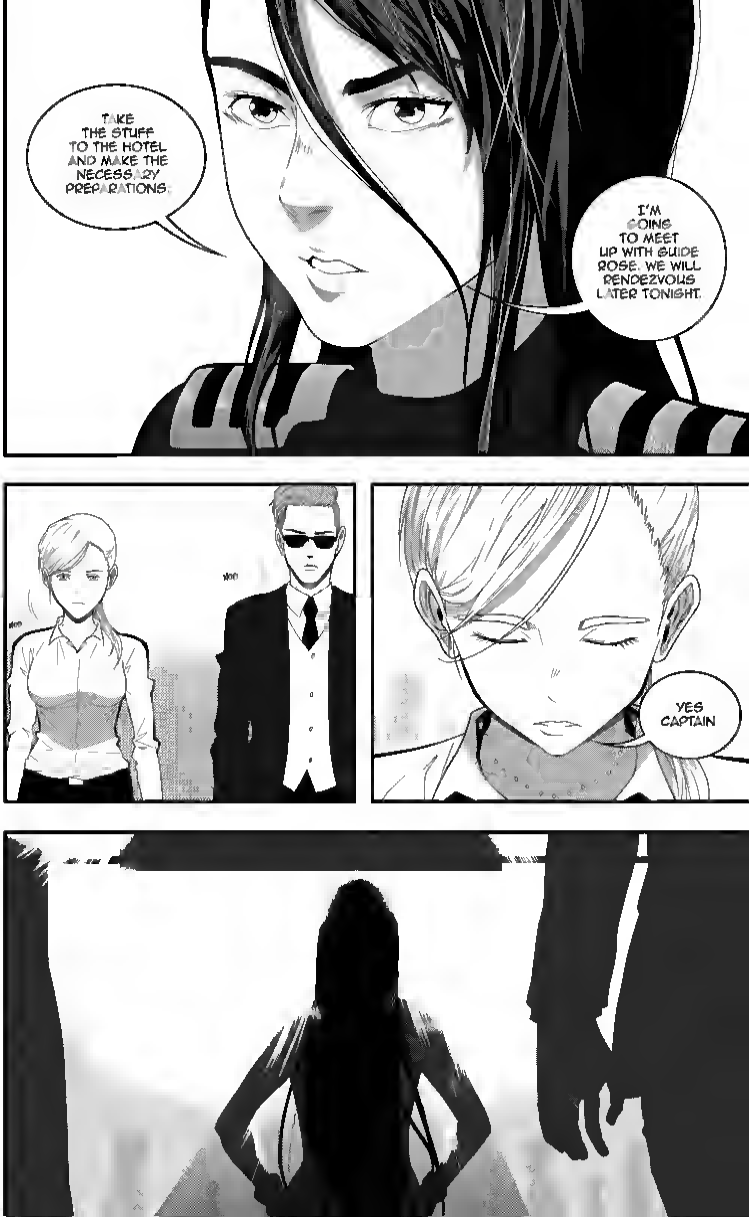
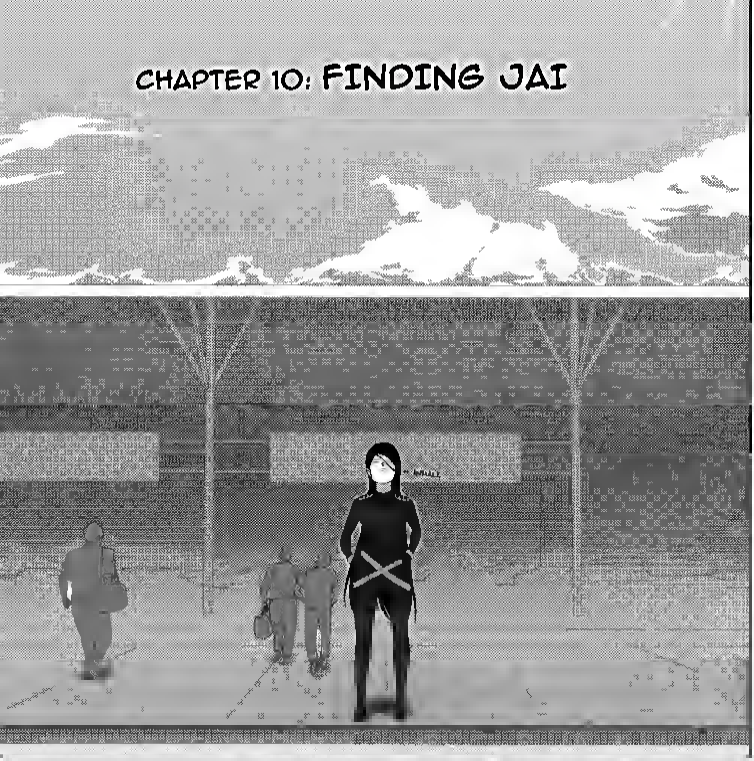
GUYS,


TAKE THE STUFF TO THE HOTEL AND MAKE THE NECESSARY PREPARATIONS.
I'M GOING TO MEET UP WITH GUIDE ROSE. WE WILL RENDEZVOUS LATER TONIGHT.
YES CAPTAIN

CHAPTER 10: FINDING JAI



Rose's journal

Journal Entry 2

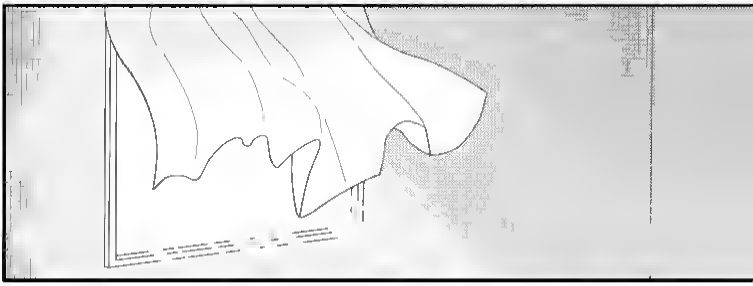
My search for ~~HM~~ is on hold for now

I'm currently sitting here in Narayana Health hospital next to a wiffling that might possibly know where the Den of the Athay gang is. From the way his subordinates behave this Jau seems like a real piece of work. It's a shame but dealing with him will also have to wait until I have completed the elders' mission and retrieved the stolen drive.

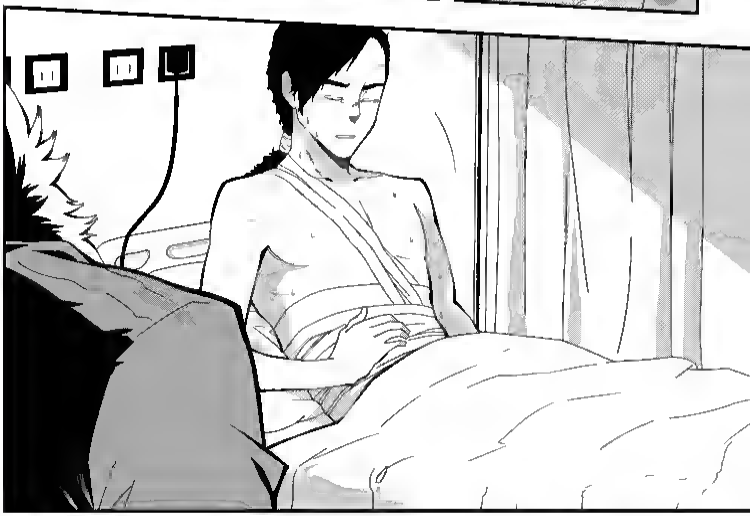
At least I can get the information from this kid once he wakes. As I carried him away from the scene of chaos he became quite delirious in his loss of blood and wouldn't stop going on about how he finally knows where Jau is, and how he could finally get his revenge.

It just makes me wonder what Jau could've done to this kid to warrant such hatred. I am worried for him, hatred can lead flame users down a dark and dangerous path.

NARAYANA HEALTH HOSPITAL

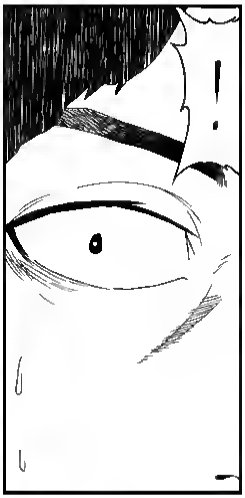


OH GOOD, YOU'RE AWAKE.
WHERE AM I?
AT THE NARAYANA HEALTH HOSPITAL.



WHO ARE YOU?

MY NAME IS ROSE. I'M AN ALMIER GUARDIAN.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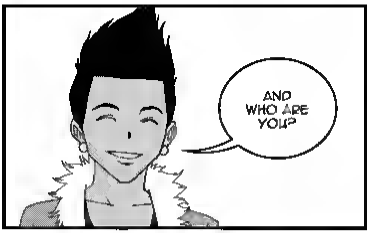
A GUARDIAN! SHE'S NOT DRESSED LIKE ONE. DOES SHE KNOW ABOUT ME?
HAS SHE COME TO TAKE ME AWAY?


AND WHO ARE YOU?

ME?
ERR.. I'M NOBODY

TELL YOU WHAT,
HOW ABOUT WE START WITH YOUR NAME
EVERYONE IS SOMEBODY
KARAN
KARAN BARUA

NICE TO MEET YOU KARAN
.....
MAYBE SHE DOESN'T KNOW

SHAKE
NICE TO MEET YOU TOO
HOW DID I GET HERE?

YOU DON'T REMEMBER?
SHAKE
WELL IT'S NOT SURPRISING AFTER WE ESCAPED RAJIT AND HIS MEN..
YOU BECAME DELIRIOUS AND EVENTUALLY PASSED OUT FROM BLOOD LOSS
I HAD TO USE MY DREAM JUST TO GET YOU HERE IN TIME
YOUR DREAM?
OH YES! YOU DID SOMETHING TO GET US OUT OF THERE...

YOU..
YOU FROZE TIME

HAHA!
NOT EXACTLY, MY DREAM IS A LITTLE BIT MORE COMPLICATED THAN THAT
MAYBE I'LL TELL YOU MORE ABOUT IT LATER

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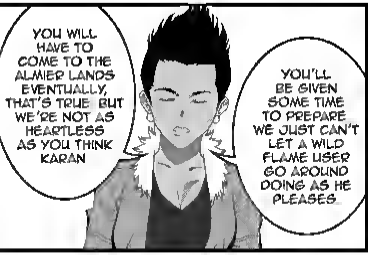
SPEAKING OF DREAMS, YOURS WAS UNEXPECTED.

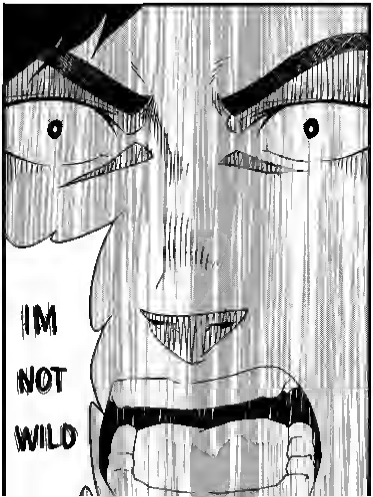
OH NO! SHE DOES KNOW!
.....
I TAKE IT THE ALMIER EMBASSY IN DELHI ARE UNAWARE OF YOU
HOW LONG HAVE YOU HAD YOUR DREAM FOR?
STARE

SHE'S JUST GOING TO KEEP STARING AT ME UNTIL I SPEAK.
A FEW MONTHS.
WOW! HE MUST HAVE BEEN USING THE SOUL FLAME FREQUENTLY TO BE ABLE TO SWITCH MODES SO EASILY AFTER JUST A FEW MONTHS
I'M SURPRISED HE HASN'T SUCCUMBED TO THE ADDICTION
AH, SO YOU'RE RELATIVELY NEW TO IT I'M IMPRESSED.
YOUR CONTROL IS PRETTY GOOD FOR SOMEONE WHO'S ONLY HAD IT FOR A FEW MONTHS
AND JAIP WHY ARE YOU AFTER HIM?
NO MORE I'M NOT GIVING HER ANY MORE INFORMATION ABOUT ME
!

WHY DO YOU WANT TO KNOW? YOU'RE JUST GOING TO TRY AND TAKE ME AWAY AREN'T YOU?
YOU PEOPLE THINK YOU CAN JUST WALTZ IN AND DO WHATEVER THE HELL YOU WANT WITH OTHER PEOPLE'S LIVES


YOU WILL HAVE TO COME TO THE ALMIER LANDS EVENTUALLY, THAT'S TRUE BUT WE'RE NOT AS HEARTLESS AS YOU THINK KARAN
YOU'LL BE GIVEN SOME TIME TO PREPARE WE JUST CAN'T LET A WILD FLAME USER GO AROUND DOING AS HE PLEASES

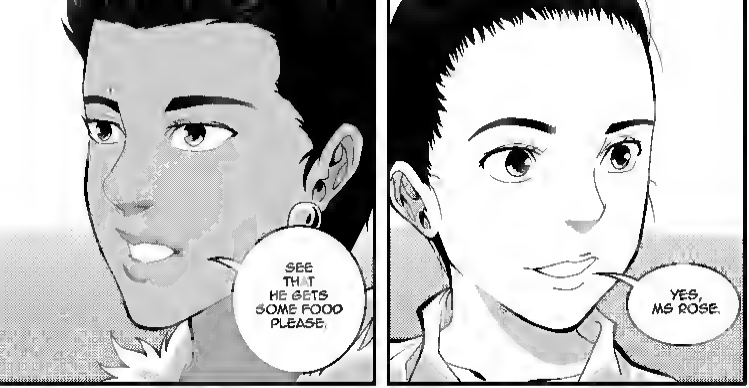
IT'S AGAINST THE LAW

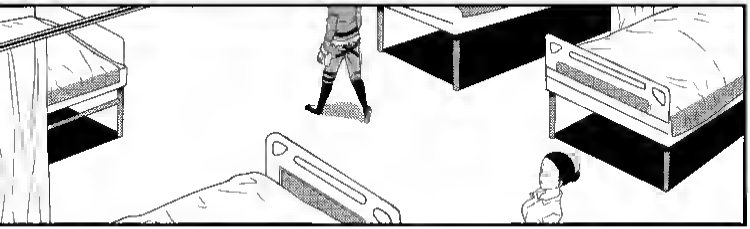

IM NOT WILD

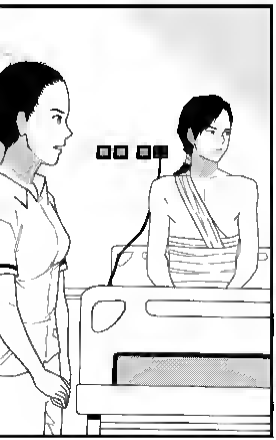
TELL THAT TO THE MEN YOU LEFT BROKEN AND BLOODY
THEY WERE BAD MEN, GANGSTERS. THEY WOULD HAVE KILLED ME IF THEY COULD. THEY DESERVED IT
BE THAT AS IT MAY, YOU CAN'T JUST GO AROUND BEATING PEOPLE UP BECAUSE THEY "DESERVE" IT
BESIDES, FROM WHAT I SAW AND HEARD, IT LOOKS LIKE YOU PUT YOURSELF IN THAT SITUATION.

ALMOST LIKE YOU WERE LOOKING FOR AN EXCUSE TO USE THE FLAME...
YOU'RE A FLAME USER KARAN, A DREAMER THAT MEANS YOU'RE MORE THAN JUST A NORMAL HUMAN,
SO YOU'LL BE HELD TO A HIGHER STANDARD THAN THE AVERAGE PERSON YOU HAVE TO LIVE BY CERTAIN RULES NOW
.....
WHAT RULES?
THEY WILL BE EXPLAINED TO YOU AT THE ALMIER LANDS. SUFFICE IT TO SAY,
WHAT YOU DID LAST NIGHT WAS A SERIOUS OFFENCE BY ALMIER STANDARDS AND COULD HAVE RESULTED IN YOU BEING BLOCKED FROM THE FLAME
BLOCKED FROM THE FLAME?
TAP

MS BEAUMONT, YOU HAVE A VISITOR DOWNSTAIRS
A GUARDIAN BY THE NAME OF ARIEL.
SIGH
NEVER MIND FOR NOW JUST GET SOME REST AND LET YOUR BODY HEAL I LL BE BACK SOON


SEE THAT HE GETS SOME FOOD PLEASE.
YES, MS ROSE.





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GUARDIANPRIME
GENESIS
IT BEGAN HERE.
OUT NOW!
COMIC REPUBLIC
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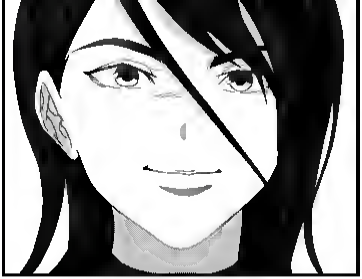
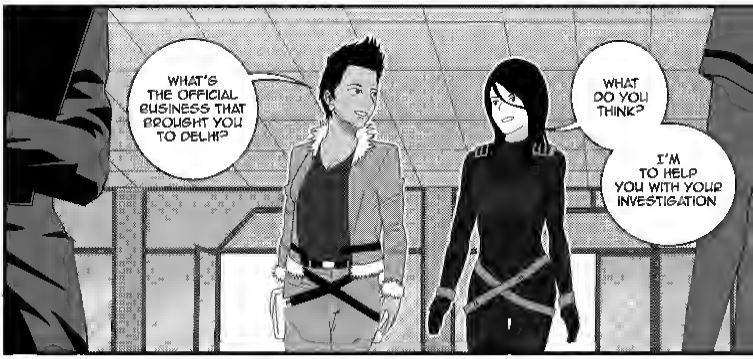
DASH

ROSE!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE ARIEL?
I'M HERE ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS
I CAN SEE THAT
THE WHOLE HOSPITAL IS BUZZING ABOUT THE GUARDIAN AT THE ENTRANCE



COME, LET'S GO IN.


WHAT'S THE OFFICIAL BUSINESS THAT BROUGHT YOU TO DELHI?
WHAT DO YOU THINK?
I'M TO HELP YOU WITH YOUR INVESTIGATION

YOU MEAN THE DRIVE?
YEP!

HMMM. THEY SENT YOU TO MAKE SURE IT WAS DESTROYED IF I FAIL TO RETRIEVE IT,
DIDN'T THEY?

I'M JUST GLAD TO BE ON A MISSION WITH MY GIRL AGAIN...
LIKE THE GOOD OLD DAYS
YEAH I KNOW IT SUCKS, BUT THEY'RE JUST PREPARING FOR THE WORST
HA, YOU NEVER CHANGE ARIEL STILL THE THRILL SEEKER I SEE
LOOK WHO'S TALKING,
MS "LONE RANGER"
HA
HA
HA

SO WHEN DO WE START GUIDE?

AS SOON AS I FIGURE OUT WHAT TO DO WITH THE WILDLING I CURRENTLY HAVE WITH ME AND GET ALL THE INFORMATION I NEED FROM HIM

WOAH, YOU FOUND ANOTHER ONE?
YEP JUST LAST NIGHT

REALIST?
DREAMER
WOW, YOU GO GIRL.
YOU KEEP THIS UP AND YOU'LL START MAKING THE EMBASSIES LOOK BAD.
WHAT KIND OF INFORMATION DOES HE HAVE?
I'M NOT SURE YET.
HE'S HUNTING THE DON OF A POWERFUL GANG. THE DON IS RUMOURED TO BE A FLAME USER AND APPARENTLY ALSO HAS A FEW FLAME USERS IN HIS GANG.
I THINK HE MIGHT KNOW WHERE THE DON IS.

WOAH, IF THAT'S TRUE, THEN THIS IS A SERIOUS CASE AND THE ELDERS NEED TO HEAR OF IT
WE MIGHT NEED TO GET THE RED SQUAD DOWN HERE ASAP
I KNOW, BUT I DON'T WANT TO RAISE THE ALARM JUST YET. RIGHT NOW IT'S ALL HEARSAY AND I HAVE NO CONCRETE EVIDENCE
I WANT TO CONFIRM IT MYSELF BEFORE GETTING 69 INVOLVED

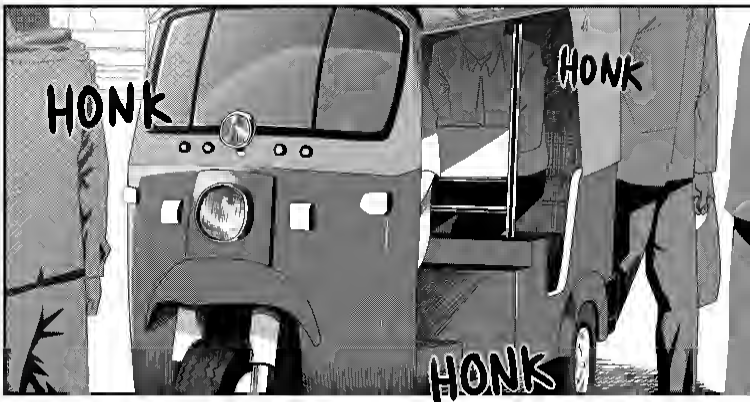
SEE WHAT I MEAN,
ALWAYS THE LONE RANGER

I BROUGHT TWO MEMBERS OF MY SQUAD WITH ME. THEY'RE AT AN HOTEL NEARBY
THEY CAN MONITOR THE WILDLING WHILST WE DO WHAT WE HAVE TO.
AH, WONDERFUL!

WHERE'S THE YOUNG MAN THAT WAS ON THIS BED?
SORRY,
I'M NOT SURE
HE LEFT TO USE THE MEN'S ROOM A FEW MINUTES AGO AND HASN'T BEEN BACK SINCE.

ROSE.
!
Dear Ms Rose,
Thank you for helping and saving my life. I am forever in your debt. However, I cannot start the life of an Almier just yet as I have some unfinished business that must take care of.
Once my business is concluded, my life is yours. I promise to find you and return with you to the Almier lands to face whatever justice you deem fitting.
All the best
Karan
THE FOOL BOY IS GOING TO GET HIMSELF KILLED.

NEW DEHLI STREETS,
DAY
HONK
HONK
HONK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I WILL AVENGE YOU BROTHER!
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